A coloring book from your friends at SC DHEC.



South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

Dear Parent,

We all need to do our share to protect air quality in South Carolina. Behavior changes that we make today will have an impact on tomorrow. This coloring book includes behavior changes that can easily be made by you and your family to help reduce air pollution in South Carolina.

Drive less

Fewer vehicles on the road will reduce the amount of air pollution from exhaust emissions.

- Carpool
- Walk or ride a bike
- Shop by phone, mail, or the Internet
- Use public transportation

Get some exercise!

Drive smart

How you drive your vehicle and how well your vehicle is maintained will affect the pollution it creates.

- Accelerate gradually
- Keep your vehicle tuned up
- Obey the speed limit

These steps also save money on repairs and gas!

Use environmentally-friendly products and proper storage

Some chemicals are harmful and could escape into the atmosphere.

- Paint with a brush rather than a sprayer
- Store solvents and paints in an airtight container
- Use electric-powered lawn equipment or use gas-powered lawn equipment after 6 p.m.

Protect your family, including your pets!

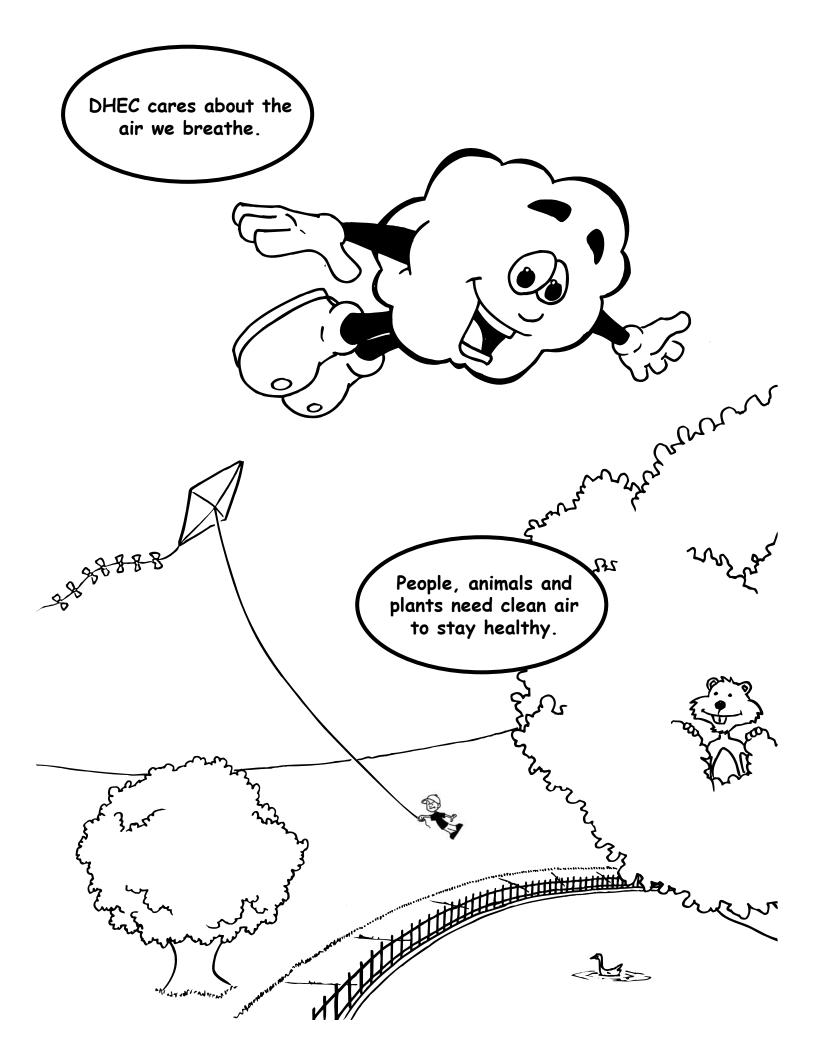
Conserve energy

Saving energy reduces the amount of emissions created from power plants when fossil fuels are burned to produce energy (like coal and oil).

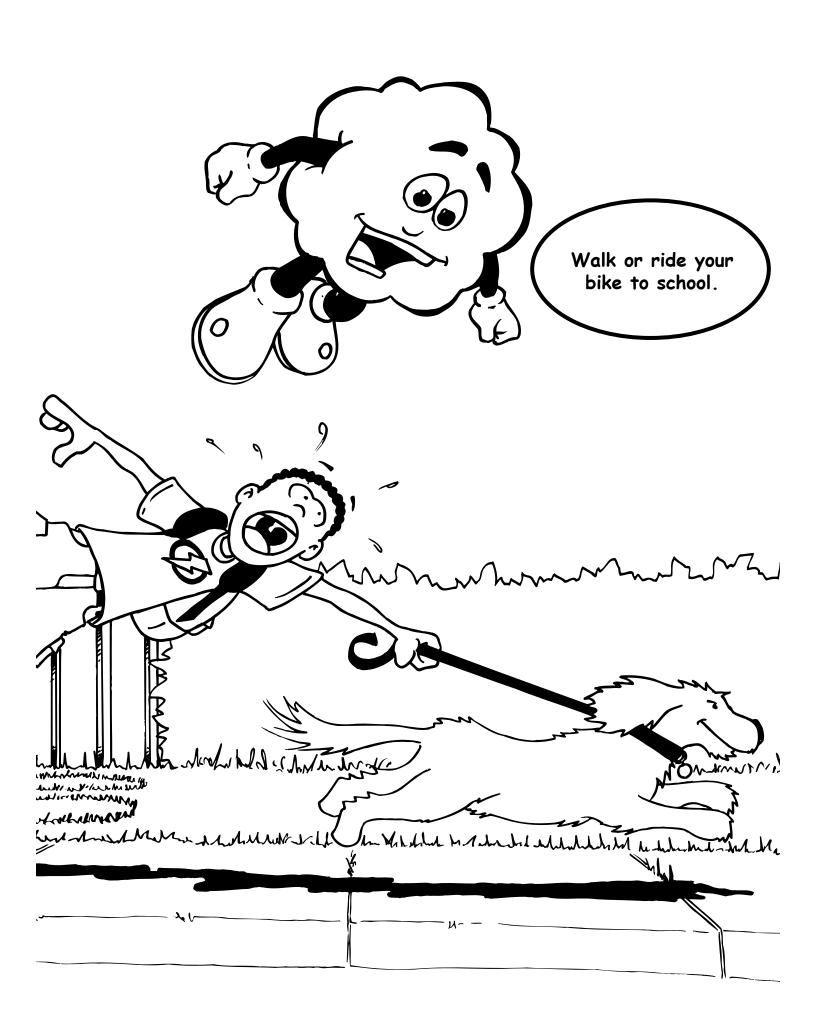
- Turn off lights, computer, TV, and stereo when leaving the room
- Properly insulate your home
- Weather-strip the windows and doors

These steps will also help you save on your electricity bill!

DO YOUR SHARE TO SPARE THE AIR!

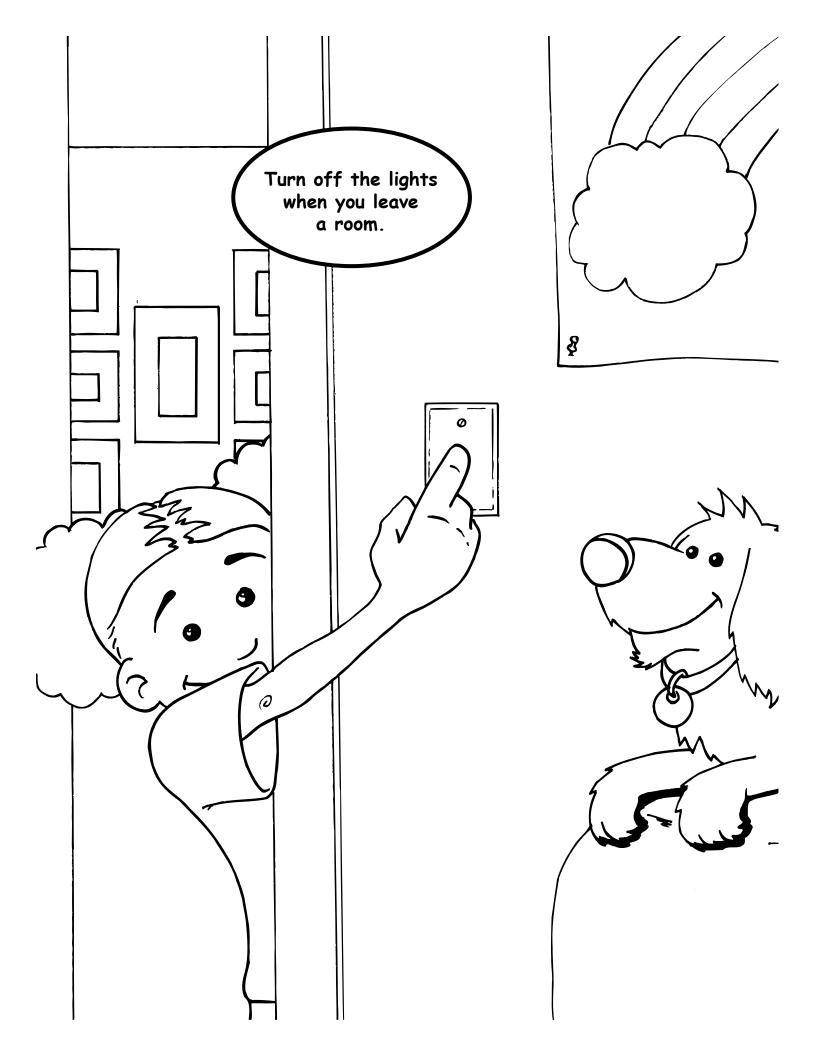


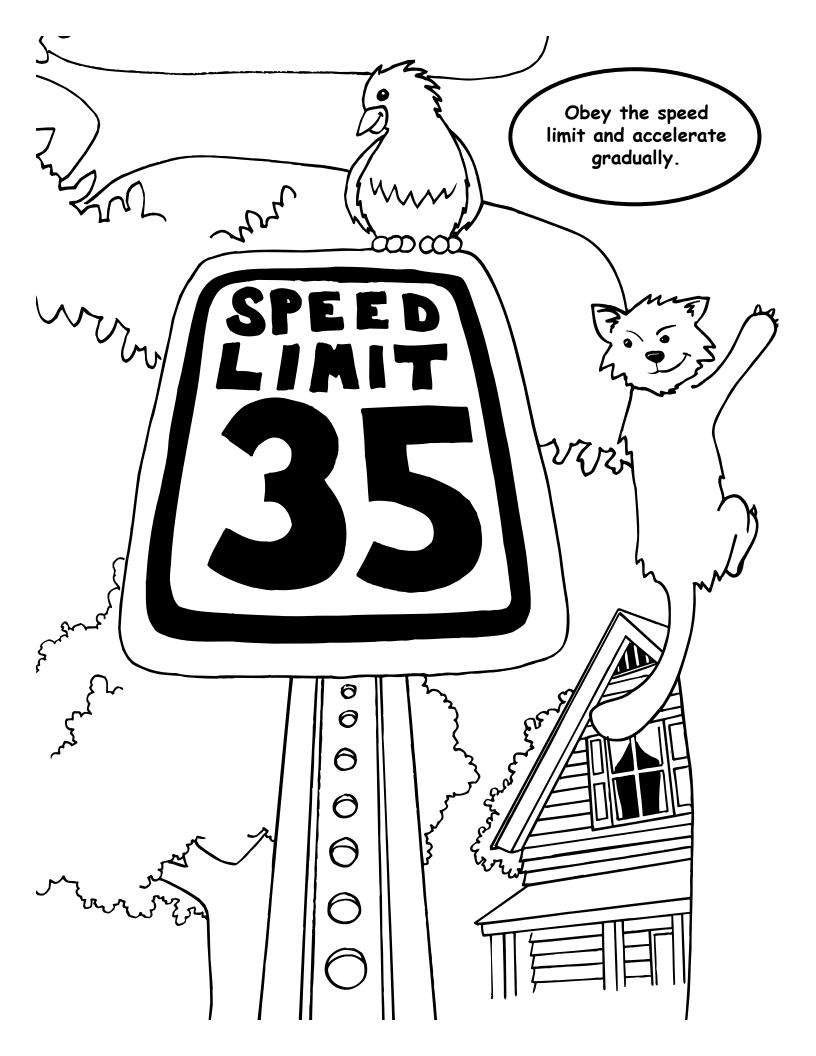


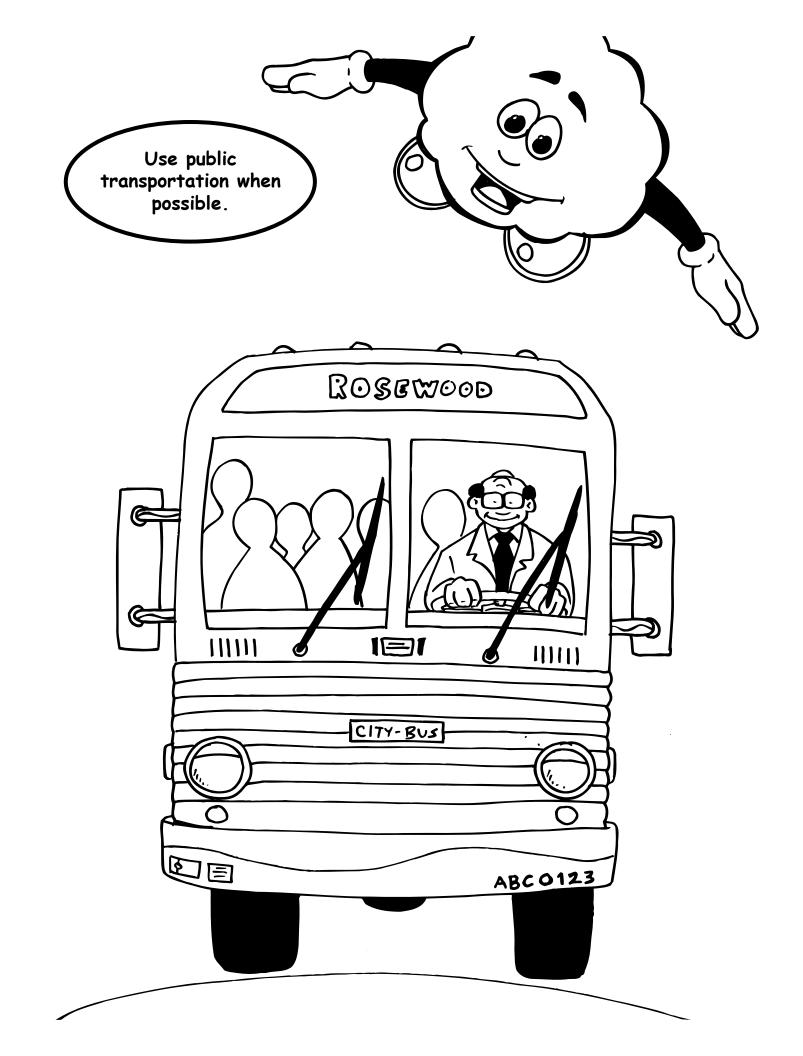












Use gas-powered lawn equipment after 6 p.m.

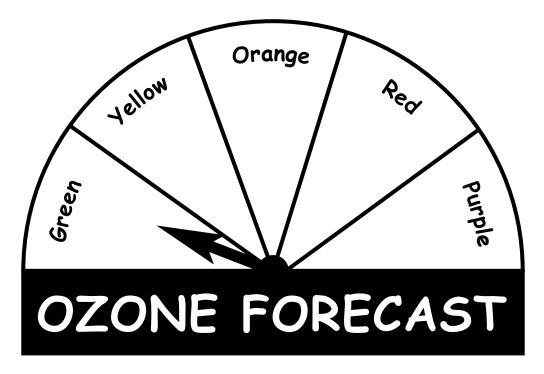




Have you seen this before?

Look for it on the television or in the newspaper.

This is the Ozone Meter. It shows you the ozone level for the day. (Complete the Ozone Meter by filling in the chart with the color indicated.)



What does it mean?

Green = Good

Yellow = Okay for most people

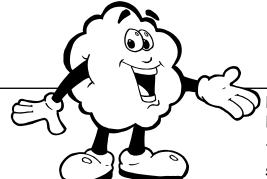
Orange = Unhealthy for ozone-sensitive people

Red = Unhealthy for most people

Purple = Unhealthy for everyone

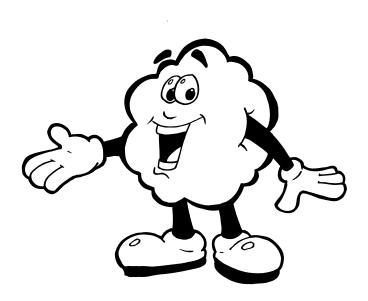
Did you know that there are two ozones?

- 1) Good ozone is high in the air, and it protects us from the sun.
- 2) Bad ozone is nearby as air pollution. It can make it hard to breathe.



For more information on Air Quality: http://www.scdhec.gov/baq
For the ozone forecast: http://www.scdhec.gov/ozone

The ozone forecast is available during ozone forecasting season, from April 1 through September 30.



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